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Rain falls without stopping;  
The weather is pitiless.  
To this I'm a witness  
Staring out the back door.

The fields are now fallow  
Where once fell the sunshine,  
And my heart sags to one side  
Like an empty old barn.

Over there was an orchard  
Where the bees buzzed contented  
Back when life was still scented  
With much happier times.

Now, time seems so useless—  
Like the rain in October,  
Like the weeds that take over  
The grass in the yard.

The heart can go barren  
Like the fields in October,  
Like a barn sagging over